

Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission

2009

The Year In Review



Delaware Park Paddock and Walking Ring, 2009

<http://dda.delaware.gov/thoroughbred/index.shtml>

Dear Racing Fan,

It is my pleasure to present the following yearly report on the activities of the Commission for calendar year 2009. The horse racing industry continues to change and face challenges of maintaining public confidence through wagering security and equine forensic drug testing. The Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission continues their commitment to ensure that racing is fair and honest. During the course of 2009, Delaware Park and the Commission committed on presenting the very best standards in equine health, safety, and integrity applied for accreditation through the National Thoroughbred Racing Association. Following an independent review by the NTRA Safety and Integrity Alliance, that accreditation was awarded to Delaware Park making it the third such track in North America to gain that honor and distinction.

As with past years, 2009 was no different with the increased competition from neighboring states for horses, but Delaware Park was able to raise their statistics on starters per race for an average of 7.73 up from 6.87 during 2008. This factor played a major influence in promoting the racing product locally and through the simulcasting outlets showing a 2.63% increase in wagering interest on Delaware racing. Given the fact that nationally, racing was looking at losses in excess of 10%, while total handle at Delaware Park dipped 6.42%, but had 27 fewer racing days of live racing. Maryland, the next state to obtain approval for slot operations joining Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and New York in the Mid Atlantic Region will be vying for the same entertainment dollars. To that end, the Commission continues to be supportive to the growth of horse racing by giving the Delaware Racing and Delaware horsemen tools which are in the form of rule changes, can be utilized to maintain their competitiveness. Also, a committed approach by Delaware Park to make improvements to the patron and stable areas continues to enhance the image of the track making it one of the most picturesque facilities in North America. At this writing, the 2010 racing dates have been approved by the DTRC which will see a schedule of 116 live racing days. Delaware Park featured 7 graded stakes during 2009. They were the Endine, Robert G. Dick Memorial, The Barbaro, Obeah, Kent Breeder's Cup, Delaware Oaks, and the one-million dollar, Delaware Handicap. Those 7 graded stakes are expected to be included in the 2010 racing schedule.

During the fall of 2009, Sports betting on NFL games was implemented and well received by the fans., thus adding another facet to the Delaware Park experience that offers racing, slots, and golf. All of these amenities make Delaware Park and end - point destination.

Making horseracing an event continues to be a major focus for continued health in the sport. The racing participants, including horsemen, track management, and commission have to be good-will ambassadors for the sport encouraging good racing events, fair play, and entertainment for the fans.

Good Luck and Good Racing,

*John F. Wayne
DTRC Executive Director*



Thoroughbred Racing Commission

Mission Statement

The Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission regulates and oversees the sport of Thoroughbred and Arabian racing in the State. Its primary objectives and principles are to protect, preserve and promote agriculture and horse racing. This is accomplished through efforts to prevent and eliminate corrupt practices; ensure fairness in decisions affecting licensees and patrons; ensure due process in administrative proceedings; facilitate the promulgation of rules and regulations that allow the Racing Association and Horsemen to remain competitive with surrounding jurisdictions to achieve and maintain profitability; and provide information concerning the industry and Commission operations. The Commission is also responsible for ensuring that the State and the betting public receive their fair percentages of the wagering dollar by overseeing periodic accounting audits.



Synopsis of 2009 Activities

- Commission and Staff
- Budget
- Fee Revenues
- Purse Distribution
- Wagering Trends
- Commission Objectives
- Other programs & Information
 - Delaware Certified Thoroughbred Program, Committees,
 - Racing Dates and Photo Gallery and Miscellaneous



“CARELESS JEWEL” Winner of the 2009 Delaware Oaks

Delaware Department of Agriculture 2009

**W. Edwin “Ed” Kee
Secretary of Agriculture**



Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission

Bernard J. Daney, Chairman

W. Duncan Patterson, Secretary – Commissioner

Henry J. Decker, Commissioner

Debbie Killeen, Commissioner

Edward J. Stegemeier, Commissioner

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John F. Wayne, Executive Director

Shelley M. Perkins, Paralegal

Andrew Kerber, Esquire, Commission Counsel



April, 2009 meeting at Delaware Park “Commissioners meet Secretary of Agriculture”



**Left to right: Henry J. Decker, Debbie Killeen, W. Duncan Patterson,
Ed Kee, Bernard J. Daney, Edward J. Stegemeier**

Special Recognition



**Lifetime Achievement Award
from the Association of Racing Commissioners International
presented to DTRC Chairman, Bernard J. Daney by Commissioner, W. Duncan Patterson**

2009 Commission Committees



Bernard J. Daney,
Chairman Emeritus, ARCI, Board Member
Secretary Treasurer – National Racing Compact

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W. Duncan Patterson

Chairman, Drug Testing Standards and Practices and ARCI Board of Directors

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Edward J. Stegemeier

Chairman

Delaware Jockeys Health and Welfare Benefit Board

Chairman

Delaware Commissions Equine Forensic Drug Testing Committee

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John F. Wayne

Vice Chairman, Drug Testing Standards and Practices Committee

Member, ARCI Model Rules Committee

Chairman, Sub-Committee, Padded Riding Crop Committee

Chairman, National Racing Compact, Application Review Committee

Alternate Delegate, National Racing Compact

Chairman, Nomination Committee, National Racing Compact



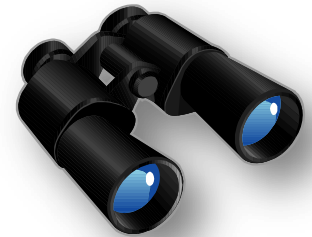
Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission

Staff - Continued

G. Jack Houghton, Chief State Steward

Frederick L. Burkhardt, Associate State Steward

Dennis Lima, Associate State Steward



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John T. Peters, DVM Supervising Commission Veterinarian

Kathleen Picciano, DVM Associate Commission Veterinarian

Jane Teichner, VMD Associate Commission Veterinarian

Susan Botts, VMD, Alternate Associate Comm. Veterinarian



Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission

Francis J. Swift, Inspector

Jose Bazan, License Inspector

Ruth Lee, License Inspector

Geraldine Wilson, License Inspector

Barry Lee and Denise Pangelinan,

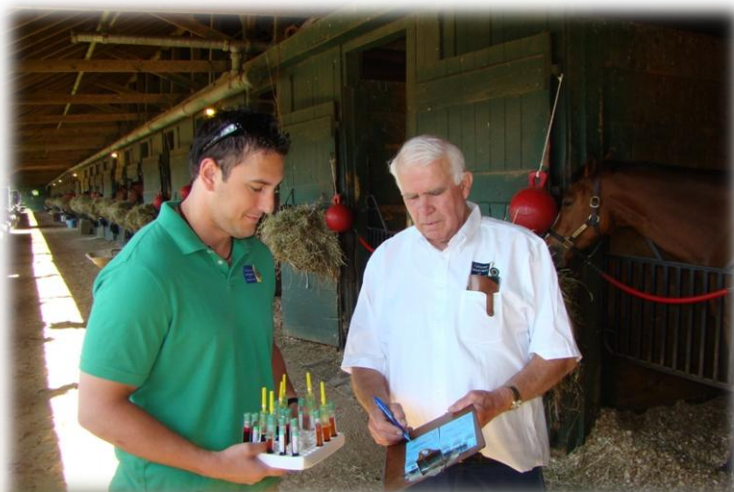
Blood-Gas Inspectors/Technicians



Collection of Equine Samples for Testing



Collection of Equine Samples Out of Competition Testing



During the course of the 2009 racing season, the DTRC continued their Out of Competition Testing program. Randomly selected horses were subject to having blood samples drawn and tested for blood doping agents. When the NTRA Safety and Integrity Alliance required mandatory Out of Competition Testing as one of the criteria for accreditation, the DTRC already had their program in place. All horses tested during 2009 were found to be free of blood-doping agents.

DTRC Budget FY 2009

* Personnel	\$963,100.00
Travel	\$35,000.00
Contractual	\$99,400.00
Supplies	\$18,100.00
Capital	\$78,500.00
Fingerprints	\$76,000.00
*Equine Drug Testing	\$330,500.00
Research & Development	\$150,000.00
Total	\$1,750,600.00

* All funding for the DTRC comes from the Appropriated Special Fund (ASF) derived from licensing fees and fines. Costs of regulation (Stewards, Veterinarians Salaries, and 100% costs of equine drug testing are borne by the Delaware Racing Association – Delaware Park). No general fund money is used in the operation of the Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission.

Commission Objectives

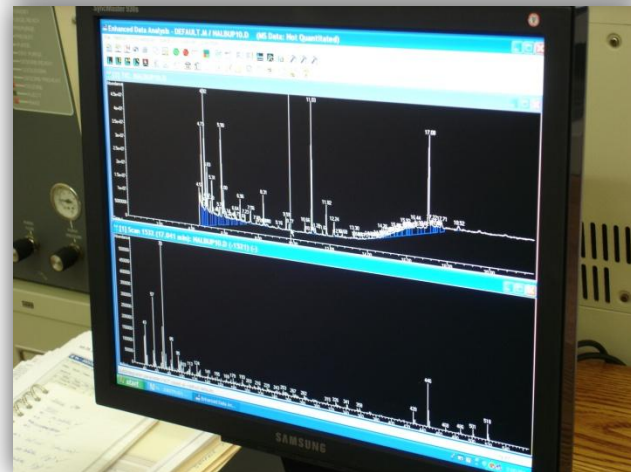
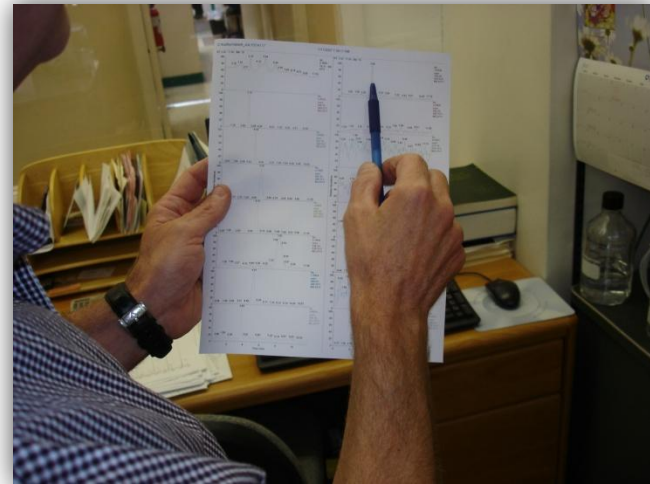
calendar years

Objectives	2008	2009	2010	2011
Accreditation of Stewards	100%	100%	100%	100%
Oversight of Racing Events (Races)	100%	100%	100%	100%
Equine Samples Tested	> 1,900	>1,900	> 1,900	>1,900
Applicants Licensed by DTRC	5,457	6,171	>5,000	>5,000

DTRC Revenue Activity

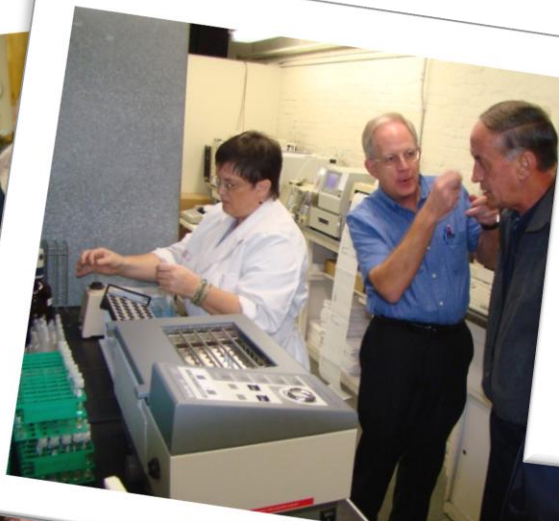
Calendar Year	Licenses Issued	License Fees	Fines collected	Total
2009	6,171	\$227,605.00	\$31,040.00	\$258,645.00
2008	5,457	\$213,990.00	\$46,022.00	\$260,012.00
2007	5,800	\$216,090.00	\$56,147.50	\$272,237.50
2006	6,272	\$261,510.00	\$40,280.00	\$301,790.00
2005	4,954	\$188,270.00	\$35,525.00	\$223,795.00
2004	5,005	\$206,534.00	\$23,025.00	\$229,559.00
2003	5,148	\$238,375.00	\$13,600.00	\$251,975.00

Equine Forensic Drug Testing Laboratory Equipment



Laboratory Inspection

Step by Step Review of Handling Equine Samples



Quantum Data Center Inspection by Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission



Several Inspections were made during 2009 at the Scientific Games Quantum Data Center in Mt. Laurel, New Jersey. Security, operational and wagering procedures were checked prior to Delaware Park's live racing season.



Living Accommodations for Backside Workers at Delaware Park



Bunkhouse project –Winter, 2009



Preparing bunkhouses for workers arriving in Spring



Dormitory renovations during Winter, 2009

Purse Distribution Trends

1995 - 2009

Delaware Racing Association - Purses Paid							
	Live				Average	Average	Average
Year	Race Days	Thoroughbred	Arabian	Total Purses	T'bred/Day	Arabian/Day	Purse/Day
2009	116(109)	\$ 24,917,420.16	\$ 1,077,590.00	\$ 25,995,010.16	\$ 228,600.18	\$ 9,886.15	\$ 238,486.33
2008	136	\$ 33,029,292.00	\$ 1,800,163.00	\$ 34,829,455.00	\$ 242,862.44	\$ 13,236.49	\$ 256,098.93
2007	137 (135)	\$ 36,316,497.19	\$ 1,843,663.00	\$ 38,160,160.19	\$ 269,011.09	\$ 13,656.76	\$ 282,667.11
2006	136	\$ 34,015,629.00	\$ 1,855,690.00	\$ 35,871,319.00	\$ 250,114.92	\$ 13,644.78	\$ 263,759.70
2005	139	\$ 37,689,765.00	\$ 1,919,550.00	\$ 39,609,315.00	\$ 271,149.39	\$ 13,809.71	\$ 284,959.10
2004	134	\$ 33,909,303.00	\$ 1,948,800.00	\$ 35,858,103.00	\$ 253,054.50	\$ 14,543.28	\$ 267,597.78
2003	141	\$ 32,879,917.00	\$ 1,996,310.00	\$ 34,876,227.00	\$ 233,190.90	\$ 14,158.23	\$ 247,349.13
2002	141	\$ 40,846,211.00	\$ 1,643,050.00	\$ 42,489,261.00	\$ 289,689.44	\$ 11,652.84	\$ 301,342.28
2001	139	\$ 35,283,541.00	\$ 1,602,350.00	\$ 36,885,891.00	\$ 253,838.42	\$ 11,527.70	\$ 265,366.12
2000	149	\$ 36,478,964.00	\$ 1,529,950.00	\$ 38,008,914.00	\$ 244,825.26	\$ 10,268.12	\$ 255,093.38
1999	143	\$ 33,129,264.00	\$ 1,911,785.00	\$ 35,041,049.00	\$ 231,673.17	\$ 13,369.13	\$ 245,042.30
1998	143	\$ 27,377,338.00	\$ 1,344,467.00	\$ 28,721,805.00	\$ 191,449.92	\$ 9,401.87	\$ 200,851.78
1997	149	\$ 26,115,489.00	\$ 1,347,659.00	\$ 27,463,148.00	\$ 175,271.74	\$ 9,044.69	\$ 184,316.43
1996	139	\$ 20,922,178.00	\$ 810,300.00	\$ 21,732,478.00	\$ 150,519.27	\$ 5,829.50	\$ 156,348.76
1995	129	\$ 10,041,651.00	\$ 350,500.00	\$ 10,392,151.00	\$ 77,842.26	\$ 2,717.05	\$ 80,559.31

Wagering Trends

Delaware Racing Association Handle Information				
1994 to 2009				
Year	Live Handle on track	Simulcast De. Pk out	Simulcast import	Total
2009	\$ 11,016,130.00	\$ 157,961,748.00	\$ 51,779,815.00	\$ 220,757,693.00
2008	\$ 11,915,673.00	\$ 153,917,895.00	\$ 55,184,297.00	\$ 221,017,866.00
2007	\$ 14,419,478.00	\$ 198,360,276.00	\$ 62,116,689.00	\$ 274,896,443.00
2006	\$ 17,167,868.00	\$ 211,195,699.00	\$ 69,059,698.00	\$ 297,423,265.00
2005	\$ 18,569,775.00	\$ 216,709,900.00	\$ 70,388,340.00	\$ 305,668,015.00
2004	\$ 18,233,483.00	\$ 230,272,674.00	\$ 72,348,635.00	\$ 320,854,792.00
2003	\$ 19,671,990.00	\$ 252,378,766.00	\$ 78,743,432.00	\$ 350,794,188.00
2002	\$ 22,228,588.00	\$ 260,456,580.00	\$ 88,889,344.00	\$ 371,584,512.00
2001	\$ 22,965,700.00	\$ 259,539,722.00	\$ 94,534,804.00	\$ 377,040,226.00
2000	\$ 25,455,446.00	\$ 264,338,726.00	\$ 94,421,101.00	\$ 384,215,273.00
1999	\$ 26,313,188.00	\$ 254,768,865.00	\$ 91,778,412.00	\$ 372,860,465.00
1998	\$ 25,012,926.00	\$ 205,023,148.00	\$ 89,635,910.00	\$ 319,671,984.00
1997	\$ 30,379,849.00	\$ 177,445,871.00	\$ 92,931,297.00	\$ 300,757,017.00
1996	\$ 28,442,006.00	\$ 107,368,067.00	\$ 97,200,658.00	\$ 233,010,731.00
1995	\$ 27,251,269.00	\$ 64,589,960.00	\$ 88,014,756.00	\$ 179,855,985.00
1994	\$ 35,610,116.00	\$ 21,422,110.00	\$ 59,612,946.00	\$ 116,646,172.00

Delaware Certified Thoroughbred Program

information provided by Delaware Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association

Year	# of Starters	# of Starts	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	25% DCTP Earnings	25% Certifier Awards	Total Annual Awards
2009	287	921	105	120	120	\$511,452.50	\$584,025.00	\$1,095,478.00
2008*	210	690	94	82	109	\$367,963.60	\$433,265.20	\$801,229.00
2007*	271	608	90	87	102	\$331,809.46	\$355,609.46	\$687,418.92
2006*	139	476	68	61	72	\$201,286.80	214,936.80	416,223.60
2005*	99	366	52	49	53	\$179,690.00	\$193,340.00	\$373,030.00
2004*	56	134	20	19	19	\$44,947.00	\$44,947.00	\$89,894.00
2003*	9	17	7	3	2	\$13,505.00	\$13,505.00	\$27,010.00

* DCTP owners and certifiers received 10% each bonuses in 2003 and 2004

* DCTP owners and certifiers received 15% each bonuses in 2005 through May, 2008

* DCTP owners and certifiers received 20% each bonuses beginning June 1, 2008

* DCTP owners and certifiers received 25% each bonuses beginning April 25, 2009



2009 Delaware Certified Thoroughbred Program

additional statistics



DCTP Horses of Racing Age 1,955



380 two-year olds



374 three-year olds



296 four-year olds



905 older horses



Current Delaware Farms enrolled: 74



Total applications to date: 2,026



2009 Racing Dates and Information

Delaware Park: Live Racing Dates 109 (116 originally scheduled)

April 25 through October 26, 2009

Simulcasting: 363 days, 7 days a week

Closed Easter and Christmas



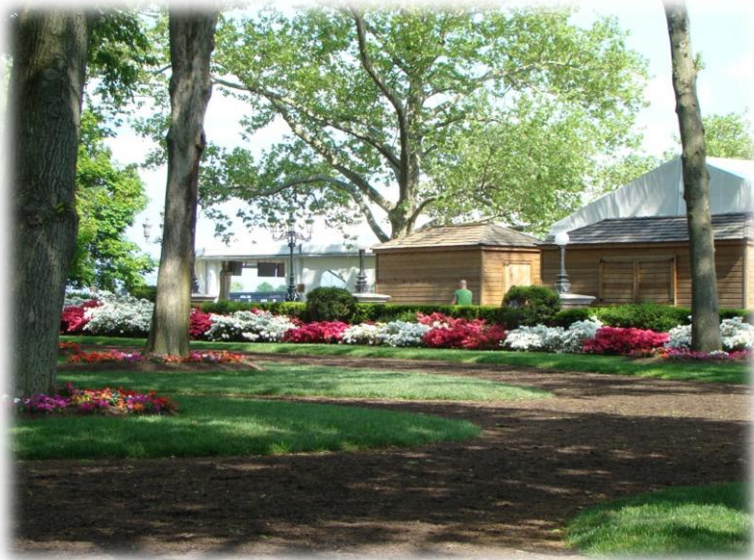
The horn section: Richard Garrick playing "Call to the Post"



Simulcasting at Delaware Park



Spring Time at Delaware Park



Delaware Park Gallery

**NTRA Accreditation Achieved
Press Event June 17, 2009**



**William I. Fasy
Delaware Park President**



**Alex Waldrop
NTRA President**



**Tommy Thompson, former Governor
of Wisconsin and U.S. Secretary for
Health and Human Services serving as
NTRA Independent Monitor**



**Michael Ziegler
Executive Director
NTRA Safety and Integrity Alliance**



Governor, Jack Markell



Commissioners with Governor at NTRA Press Event

Sport's Betting at Delaware Park



Signing of House Bill 100 Sports Betting, May 14, 2009

Left to right: Rep. Anthony J. DeLuca, Rep. Pete C. Schwartzkopf, Rep. Thomas H. Kovach, Rep. Debra Hudson, Governor Jack Markell, Rep. Valerie J. Longhurst, Speaker of the House, Robert F. Gilligan.

Sports Betting at Delaware Park



House Bill 100 signed



Delaware Park Personalities



William I. Fasy, President
"Welcome to the 2009 Delaware Handicap
Post Position Draw"



John Mooney, Delaware Park Executive Director of Racing,
announces Delaware Handicap field of horses



Del Cap Post Position Draw, July 2009



William M. Rickman with Delaware Park Wall of Fame
inductee, Carl Hanford accompanied by his Assistant

\$1,000,000.00 Delaware Handicap Winner



“SWIFT TEMPER”

Owner: Mark H. Stanley

Trainer: Dale Romans

Jockey: Alan Garcia

\$250,000.00 Grade II, DELAWARE OAKS



“CARLEEES JEWEL,” Winner

Owner: Donver Stable

Trainer: Josie Carroll

Jockey: Robert Landry

\$100,000.00 R. R. M. CARPENTER JR. MEMORIAL STAKES,



"ACTING ZIPPY"

Owner: William Don Bennett and Carl Bowling

Trainer: William Don Bennett

Jockey: Justin Shepherd

ROBERT G. DICK MEMORIAL STAKES, \$150,000.00, Grade III



"CAPRICE"
Owner: N.P Bloodstock Inc.
Trainer: H. Graham Motion
Jockey: Jeremy Rose



THE \$150,000.00, Grade III BARBARO STAKES



“OUR EDGE”

Owner: Robert V. LaPenta

Trainer: Nicholas Zito

Jockey: Alan Garcia

“Trophies for the Winners”



\$150,000.00 OBEAH STAKES, Grade III



“UNBRIDLED BELLE”

Owner: Team Valor International LLC

Trainer: Todd Pletcher

Jockey: Richard Migliore

\$125,000.00 SUSAN'S GIRL STAKES



"BON JOVI GIRL"

Owner: Blaze of Glory Stables and Timothy Ritchey

Trainer: Timothy Ritchey

Jockey: Jose Caraballo

\$250,000.00 KENT BREEDER'S CUP

Grade III



"NO INFLATION"

Owner: Glen Hill Farm

Trainer: Thomas Proctor

Jockey: Rosemary Homeister Jr.

Delaware Park Stars



Owner's Day – September 12, 2009



Governor Markell presenting trophy to winning connections – Governor's Day Race



Delaware Jockey's Health and Welfare Benefit Board presenting honorarium to University of Delaware for Nutritional Program

\$150,000.00 ENDINE STAKES, Grade III



“BOLD UNION”

Owner: George and Lon Hall

Trainer: Kelly Breen

Jockey: Jose Velez Jr.

Lady Amateur Riders at Delaware Park



Gentlemen Amateur Riders at Delaware Park



left to right: David Lenneblad (Sweden), Andrew Doyle (Ireland), Ian Chanin (Great Britain),
W. Duncan Patterson (Delaware Commissioner and host USA),
Peter Janssen (Netherlands), Marian F. Weissmeier (Germany), Florent Guy (France)

Delaware Park Gallery



VIDEO WALL IN RACE AND SPORTS BOOK



Michael Vild, Bernard Daney, Lt. Gov., Matt Denn, Ed Kee



J. Larry Jones being interviewed by TV Host, Rich Glazier



Walking Ring

Delaware Park Gallery



Annual Steward's Evaluation



Secretary Kee 's visit to Blood Gas Testing Lab



Secretary Kee's visit to the Steward's Stand



**Chairman Daney with Dr. Scot Waterman,
Executive Director of the Racing Medication and Testing Consortium**

Groom Elite Program at Delaware Park

Sponsored by the Delaware Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association



"Chain of Custody"



Test Barn Procedures



"Freckles"

Dr. Reid McClennan, Students, and Volunteer Instructors

Mission Statement:

"To provide horsemen an opportunity for professional and personal growth, by increasing their understanding of the horse with which they work and enhancing their professional skills."



<http://www.groomelite.com/index.shtml>



2009 Delaware Park Leaders



A. R. Napravnik
2nd Place, 108 Wins



Leading Jockey
David Cohen, 152 Wins



Leading Trainer,
Cody Autrey 58 Wins



Scott Lake
2nd Place 55 Wins



Tim Ritchey
3rd Place 38 Wins



Jeremy Rose
3rd Place, 80 Wins

The Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission is a proud member of the Association of Racing Commissioners International (ARCI)



Ed Martin, ARCI President



Paul Bowlinger, ARCI Vice President



2000 National Convention, Lexington, Kentucky

ARCI New Commissioners Workshop

During September 17-19, 2009, the Delaware Thoroughbred and Harness Racing Commissions hosted a New Commissioners Workshop which was attended by several jurisdictions. The purpose of the workshop was to give newly appointed Commissioners and Executive Staff a greater understanding of their role within the industry and an opportunity to network with other Commissions.



DTRC Chief State Steward, Jack Houghton explaining the functions and duties of the Stewards



Guided Tour courtesy of Delaware Park and hosted by Greg Petkiewicz, Director of Racing

Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission and Racing Officials Accreditation Program



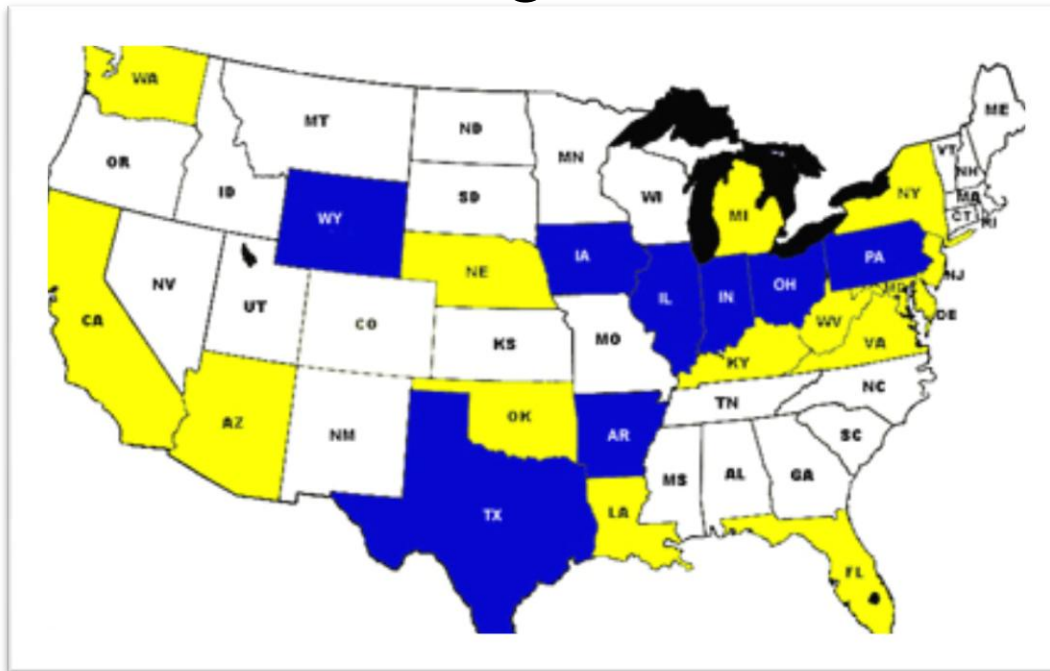
James P. Gowen, VP TRPB addressing Stewards and Judges Accreditation Class at Delaware Park, February, 2009 on racing integrity issues



Review of racing films by Paul Tishuk, Maryland Racing Commission Presiding Judge November 9-10, 2009

The DTRC has been coordinating regular meetings at Delaware Park and in accordance with the “Points of Emphasis” established under the Racing Officials Accreditation Program (R.O.A.P.) Accredited Stewards and or Judges have attended a formal curriculum at either the University of Louisville or University of Arizona. They can receive “continuing education” credits by attending the Delaware meetings. Meetings have been well attended making Delaware an educational hub of sorts for racing officials.

- The Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission is a member of the National Racing Compact.
- The “National License” was developed to streamline the licensing and fingerprinting process. It is known as racing’s “E-Z Pass.”



Nutrient Management = Environmental Friendly



Covered Manure Collection areas to prevent water contamination



Wash stations located throughout the stable area and connected to sanitary sewers for clean water compliance



Timely collection of material for removal from grounds and use by Mushroom growers



Employing Best Management Practices to ensure environmental compliance with Clean Water Protection Act

Delaware Park Senior Executive Officers

William M. Rickman Jr. Chief Executive Officer

William I. Fasy, President

Andrew Gentile, Chief Operating Officer

Christer Farr, Senior Vice-President of Communications, Technology, and Maintenance

Andy Gomeringer, Senior Vice-President of Marketing and Slots Operations

Nancy Myshko, Senior Vice-President Human Resources, Environmental Services, and Mutuels

Joe Rudisill, Senior Vice-President of Security, Purchasing, Transportation, and Patron Services

Ray Spera, Senior Vice-President Finance, Planning and Analysis, Food and Beverage, and Golf Operations

Michael Vild, Esquire, General Counsel and Senior Vice President of Racing

John Mooney, Executive Director of Racing

Dawn Casale, Vice-President Surveillance

Kevin DeLucia, Vice President Finance

Austin Fiore, Vice-President of Purchasing

Timothy Kozenskie, Vice-President of Food and Beverage and Golf Operations

Greg Petkiewicz, Director of Racing

Terry Smith, Vice-President Slot Operations

In Memoriam and Recognition

William Monroe Rickman Sr.

1921 - 2005

Mr. Rickman was a great friend of racing and was able to bring Delaware Park back from a struggling marginal operation to the state-of-the-art facility that it is today. His participation as a lover of the sport as owner, breeder and race track owner, and fan will be greatly missed by all.



Acknowledgements



Delaware Certified Statistics: DTHA

Delaware Park Race Track, Slots, and Golf

Assorted photos by DTRC and Delaware Park

